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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provided for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/636,289
Filing Date	August 10, 2000
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Group Art Unit	1638
Examiner Name	David T. Fox
Attorney Docket Number	514413-3834

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under CFR 1.114.

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on March 24, 2003
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply 05/13/2003 NH04AH1 00000030 09636289
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) 01 FC:1801 750.00 OP
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other 05/13/2003 NH04AH1 00000030 09636289

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103© for a period of __ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(I) required)
- b. ☐ Other

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments, to
Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- b. ☒ Checks in the amount of \$750.00 and \$820.00 is enclosed for the following:
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) (Difference between fee for first month's extension previously paid and fee for third month extension currently due.)
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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